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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office  
of an application for patent in the name(s) of:

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entitled:

ENCODING METHOD AND APPARATUS

The following are enclosed:

- ☒ Specification ( 28 pages)
- ☒ 13 Sheet(s) of Drawings
- ☒ 21 Claim(s) (including 6 independent claim(s))
- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim

- ☒ Our checks for \$ 1060.00, calculated on the basis of the claims as amended by any enclosed preliminary amendment as follows:

Basic Fee, \$750.00 (\$375.00)	\$ 750.00
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- ☒ Oath or Declaration and Power of Attorney

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☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d))

- ☒ Certified copy of each of the following application(s) to substantiate the claim(s) for priority made in the Declaration:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filed</u>	<u>In</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

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